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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Docket No.:

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MERRIL et al.

Group Art Unit:

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Application No.: 09/835,537

Examiner:

A. Pryor

Filed: April 16, 2001

Title: METHODS OF TREATING PRION DISEASE IN MAMMALS

<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Commissioner of Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

November 27, 2006

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time for filing a response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2006. A response to the Office Action is submitted herewith, as well as a credit card form for the fee of \$60.

Respectfully submitted,

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